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Property Owners Should Beware of Deed Offers

Saratoga County Clerk Kathy Marchione advises residents not to respond to offers from private companies who offer to provide a certified copy of a deed for an exorbitant fee. County Clerk Marchione states that a person may obtain a certified copy of their deed directly from the County Clerk's office for \$5.00. Many residents are receiving letters from a private company who is offering to provide a copy for \$59.50.

"I would like our residents to know that they can secure these documents for a fraction of the cost that this company is charging" stated County Clerk Marchione. The County Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. She further stated that, if a person is unable to come into the County Clerk's Office, their deed can be obtained by sending a request in the mail. A person would need to send in a check (starter checks not accepted) or money order for \$5.00, along with property address and the approximate date of purchase. A self-addressed stamped envelope will expedite the process. Requests should be mailed to Saratoga County Clerk, 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY, 12020.

County Clerk Marchione wants to assure Saratoga County residents that neither the County Clerk's Office, nor any other state government agency, is involved in the recent over-priced offers being received by residents. Neither would the County Clerk's Office request a resident's credit card number. The County Clerk's Office will provide you with copies of your documents at a reasonable cost and at the same time maintain and protect your records safely and securely.

If anyone has a concern about an offer that they have received in the mail, they can contact the County Clerk's Office at countyclerk@saratogacountyny.gov or call County Clerk Marchione at 885-2213, ext. 4420.